

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A discharge lamp device comprising:
 - an airtight container filled with a discharge medium mainly including noble gas;
 - a first electrode provided in the airtight container;
 - a second electrode that includes an opening through which light emitted from the airtight container is emitted, that is provided to have a predetermined interval to the airtight container, and that includes a reflective surface; and
 - an insulating holder that is externally attached to the airtight container and that maintains the predetermined interval,

wherein the holder includes a penetration hole to which the airtight container is inserted and includes a protrusion at a position at which the second electrode is provided, and the second electrode includes a fitting hole fitted with the protrusion of the holder.

Claim 2 (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) The discharge lamp device according to Claim ~~[[2]]~~ 1, wherein:
 - a relation between a length a of the holder in a direction along which the airtight container is inserted and a length b of the protrusion in the insertion direction is determined to be $a > b$.
4. (Currently Amended) The discharge lamp device according to Claim ~~2 or 3~~ 1, wherein:
 - a length a of the holder in a direction along which the airtight container is inserted is determined such that a relation between length a1 at a side from which the airtight container emits light and length a2 at a side at which the second electrode is provided is $a1 < a2$.

5. (Currently Amended) The discharge lamp device according to Claim 1 ~~or~~ 2, wherein:

the holder is made of transparent material and is formed to have the same length as that of the airtight container.

6. (Original) The discharge lamp device according to Claim 5, wherein:

the second electrode is buried in the holder to have a predetermined interval to the airtight container.

7. (Original) A discharge lamp device comprising:

an airtight container filled with a discharge medium mainly including noble gas;

a first electrode provided in the airtight container;

a second electrode buried in the holder to have a predetermined interval to the airtight container;

an insulating holder that is made of transparent material to have the same length as a length of the airtight container and that includes a penetration hole to which the airtight container is inserted; and

a reflection member that includes an opening through which light emitted from the airtight container is emitted and that is externally provided to the second electrode.

8. (Currently Amended) The discharge lamp device according to ~~any one of Claims 1 to 7~~ Claim 1, wherein:

the holders are arranged to be parallel to one another and corners at a side at which light emitted from the airtight container is emitted are joined.

9. (Currently Amended) The discharge lamp device according to ~~any one of Claims 1 to 8~~ Claim 7, wherein:

~~the holder includes an empty section that is provided at a side at which light emitted from the airtight container is emitted and that has a width smaller than an outer diameter of the airtight container~~ holders are arranged to be parallel to one another and corners at a side at which light emitted from the airtight container is emitted are joined.

10. (Currently Amended) The discharge lamp device according to ~~any one of Claims 1 to 9~~
Claim 1, wherein:

~~the predetermined interval is in a range from 0.1 mm to 2.0 mm at the shortest.~~ holder
includes an empty section that is provided at a side at which light emitted from the airtight
container is emitted and that has a width smaller than an outer diameter of the airtight container.

11. (Currently Amended) The discharge lamp device according to ~~any one of Claims 1 to 10~~
Claim 7, wherein:

~~the discharge medium includes at least xenon gas and a fluorescent material layer is~~
~~layered on an inner circumference of the airtight container~~ the holder includes an empty section
that is provided at a side at which light emitted from the airtight container is emitted and that has
a width smaller than an outer diameter of the airtight container.

12. (New) The discharge lamp device according to Claim 1, wherein:

the predetermined interval is in a range from 0.1 mm to 2.0 mm at the shortest.

13. (New) The discharge lamp device according to Claim 7, wherein:

the predetermined interval is in a range from 0.1 mm to 2.0 mm at the shortest.

14. (New) The discharge lamp device according to Claim 1, wherein:

the discharge medium includes at least xenon gas and a fluorescent material layer is
layered on an inner circumference of the airtight container.

15. (New) The discharge lamp device according to Claim 7, wherein:

the discharge medium includes at least xenon gas and a fluorescent material layer is
layered on an inner circumference of the airtight container.